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TABLE XX.

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AREAS, FAMILIES, AND DWELLINGS,

WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION TO EACH,

IN THE UNITED STATES,

AT THE CENSUSES OF 1870, 1860, AND 1850,

(BY STATES AND TERRITORIES.)

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## THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TABLE OF AREAS.

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The construction of the columns of areas in the following table has been attended with difficulty, owing to the uncertainty of the official data. As late as 1850, and even at 1860, the reported areas of the Territories and the extreme Western States were mainly estimates, or at best approximate calculations, and even at the present time are not generally the result of completed surveys. For the purposes of this table the areas given in the report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the year 1870 have been taken as correct with one exception. In that report the area of Nevada is given as 112,090 square miles. In this area table it has been reduced by 7,965 square miles. The facts relied on to justify this reduction are that the statute erecting Nevada, after fixing its boundaries, provides that the part of California included by the act in Nevada shall not become a part of Nevada until California shall assent to the transfer. California has at no time assented, therefore the area of this strip of land, 7,965 square miles, has been deducted from the reported area of Nevada, and the area of California has not been changed, inasmuch as this tract appears to have been included both in California and Nevada in the table of the General Land Office for the year 1870. Assuming thus the areas of 1870 as standard, the official figures for 1860 and 1850 have been brought to them, where the boundaries of States have remained unchanged. Where transfers of territory have been made it has been sought, in the following table, to account accurately for the gain and loss during each decennial period. The principal transfers of areas from one civil division to another, in the columns of the table, are as follows:

The territory given as the Indian Country in the column for 1850, 195,274 square miles, appears at 1860 both as the Indian Country, 68,991 square miles, and as the Territory of Kansas, 126,283 square miles. The latter again at 1870 appears both as the State of Kansas, 81,318 square miles, and as a portion of the Territory of Colorado, 44,965 square miles.

The Territory of Minnesota at 1850, 165,491 square miles, appears at 1860 as the State of Minnesota, 83,531 square miles, and the Territory of Minnesota, 81,960 square miles. The latter appears in 1870 as a portion of the Territory of Dakota.

The Territory of Nebraska was not organized until 1854. The area on the line given to that Territory in the column for 1850, 351,558 square miles, represents the then unorganized portion of the public domain, exclusive of the Indian Country, as tabulated. It was then called the Northwest Territory. It had the same extent as Nebraska, when organized four years later, as the same appears in the column for 1860. The Territory of Nebraska of 1860 appears in 1870 as the entire State of Nebraska, 75,995 square miles, a portion of the Territory of Colorado, 16,035 square miles, a portion of the Territory of Dakota, 68,972 square miles, a portion of the Territory of Montana, 116,269 square miles, and a portion of the Territory of Wyoming, 74,287 square miles.

The Territory of New Mexico at 1850, 215,807 square miles, appears in 1860 with an increase of 45,535 square miles, representing the territory acquired from Mexico by the Gadsden treaty. The area of the Territory in 1860, 261,342 square miles, is represented in 1870 by the whole of the Territory of New Mexico, 121,201 square miles, the whole of the Territory of Arizona, 113,916 square miles, a portion of the State of Nevada, 12,225 square miles, and a portion of the Territory of Colorado, 14,000 square miles.

The Territory of Oregon at 1850, 288,345 square miles, appears in 1860 as the State of Oregon, 95,274 square miles, and the Territory of Washington, 193,071 square miles; the latter in 1870 appears as the whole of the Territory of Washington, 69,994 square miles, the whole of the Territory of Idaho, 86,294 square miles, a portion of the Territory of Montana, 26,901 square miles, and a portion of the Territory of Wyoming, 9,882 square miles.

The Territory of Utah at 1850, 220,196 square miles, appears without change in 1860. In 1870 it appears as the whole of the Territory of Utah, 84,476 square miles, a portion of the Territory of Colorado, 29,500 square miles, a portion of the State of Nevada, 91,900 square miles, and a portion of the Territory of Wyoming, 14,320 square miles.

## AREAS, FAMILIES, AND DWELLINGS.

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TABLE XX.—THE UNITED STATES.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	AREAS.						FAMILIES.						DWELLINGS.					
	1870 (a)		1860 (b)		1850		1870		1860 (d)		1850 (d)		1870		1860 (d)		1850 (d)	
	Square miles.	Persons to a square mile.	Square miles.	Persons to a square mile.	Square miles.	Persons to a square mile.	Number.	Persons to a family.	Number.	Persons to a family.	Number.	Persons to a family.	Number.	Persons to a dwelling.	Number.	Persons to a dwelling.	Number.	Persons to a dwelling.
The United States .....	3,603,884	10.70	3,026,494	10.29	2,980,950	7.78	7,579,863	5.00	5,210,934	5.28	3,508,240	5.56	7,042,833	5.47	4,969,692	5.53	3,362,337	5.94
The States .....	1,934,467	19.21	1,723,629	18.10	1,544,324	14.94	7,481,607	5.09	5,147,050	5.28	3,570,683	5.56	6,941,603	5.49	4,912,437	5.54	3,335,239	5.95
Alabama .....	50,722	10.66	50,722	10.61	50,722	15.21	202,704	4.92	96,693	5.18	73,786	5.81	198,327	5.03	96,682	5.47	73,070	5.87
Arkansas .....	52,198	9.30	52,198	8.34	52,198	4.02	96,135	5.04	57,244	5.67	28,461	5.72	93,105	5.20	56,717	5.72	28,252	5.76
California .....	188,981	2.29	188,981	2.01	188,981	0.40	128,732	4.35	98,767	3.85	24,567	3.77	126,307	4.44	100,328	3.79	23,742	3.90
Connecticut .....	4,750	113.15	4,750	96.87	4,750	78.06	114,981	4.67	94,831	4.85	73,448	5.05	96,880	5.55	83,622	5.50	64,013	5.70
Delaware .....	2,120	58.97	2,120	52.03	2,120	43.18	22,900	5.46	18,966	5.82	15,439	5.78	22,577	5.54	19,288	5.72	15,280	5.84
Florida .....	59,208	3.17	50,208	2.65	59,208	1.48	39,394	4.77	15,690	5.21	9,107	5.29	41,047	4.57	14,132	5.57	9,022	5.34
Georgia .....	58,000	20.42	58,000	18.23	58,000	15.62	237,850	4.98	109,919	5.41	91,666	5.72	236,436	5.01	109,069	5.46	91,206	5.75
Illinois .....	55,410	45.84	55,410	30.90	55,410	15.37	474,533	5.35	315,530	5.43	149,153	5.71	464,155	5.47	304,732	5.62	146,544	5.81
Indiana .....	33,809	49.71	33,809	39.94	33,809	29.24	320,160	5.23	248,664	5.43	171,564	5.78	313,469	5.28	256,946	5.26	170,173	5.81
Iowa .....	55,045	21.69	55,045	12.26	55,045	3.49	222,430	5.37	124,098	5.44	33,517	5.73	219,846	5.44	131,663	5.13	122,962	5.83
Kansas .....	81,318	4.48	.....	.....	.....	.....	72,493	5.03	21,912	4.89	.....	.....	71,071	5.13	33,278	2.96	.....	.....
Kentucky .....	37,680	35.33	37,680	30.94	37,680	26.07	232,797	5.07	166,321	5.59	132,920	5.80	224,960	5.87	164,161	5.67	130,769	5.90
Louisiana .....	41,346	17.58	41,346	17.12	41,346	12.53	158,099	4.69	74,725	5.04	54,112	5.04	150,427	4.83	63,992	4.88	49,101	5.56
Maine .....	35,000	17.91	35,000	17.05	35,000	16.08	131,017	4.78	120,863	5.20	103,333	5.64	121,933	5.14	115,933	5.42	95,802	6.09
Maryland .....	11,124	70.29	11,124	61.76	11,124	52.41	140,078	5.57	110,278	5.44	87,384	5.64	129,629	6.02	106,127	5.65	81,708	6.03
Massachusetts .....	7,800	186.84	7,800	157.83	7,800	127.50	305,534	4.77	251,237	4.90	192,075	5.16	236,473	6.16	205,319	6.00	152,835	6.51
Michigan .....	56,451	20.97	56,451	13.27	56,451	7.04	241,006	4.91	144,761	5.17	72,611	5.48	237,036	5.00	150,952	4.96	71,616	5.55
Minnesota .....	83,531	5.26	83,531	2.10	.....	.....	82,471	5.33	37,319	4.61	.....	.....	81,140	5.12	40,923	4.20	.....	.....
Mississippi .....	47,156	17.56	47,156	16.78	47,156	12.86	166,823	4.96	68,015	5.63	52,107	5.69	161,150	5.04	61,400	5.77	51,681	5.74
Missouri .....	65,350	26.34	65,350	18.09	65,350	10.44	316,917	5.43	192,073	5.56	100,860	5.89	202,709	5.87	181,060	5.80	96,840	6.14
Nebraska .....	75,995	1.62	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,075	4.91	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,144	4.89	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nevada .....	104,125	0.41	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,830	4.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Hampshire .....	9,280	34.30	9,280	35.14	9,280	34.26	72,144	4.41	69,018	4.72	62,287	5.15	67,046	4.75	65,968	4.94	67,339	5.55
New Jersey .....	8,320	108.91	8,320	80.77	8,320	58.84	183,043	4.95	130,348	5.16	60,080	5.50	155,928	5.81	116,353	5.78	81,064	6.04
New York .....	47,000	93.25	47,000	82.57	47,000	65.90	898,772	4.88	758,420	5.12	566,869	5.46	688,559	6.37	615,888	6.30	473,936	6.54
North Carolina .....	50,704	21.13	50,704	19.58	50,704	17.14	205,970	5.20	125,690	5.29	105,451	5.50	202,504	5.29	129,585	5.11	104,996	5.53
Ohio .....	39,964	66.69	39,964	58.54	39,964	49.55	521,061	5.11	434,134	5.39	343,514	5.68	495,667	5.38	425,072	5.50	336,698	5.80
Oregon .....	95,274	0.95	95,274	0.55	.....	.....	18,504	4.91	11,063	4.74	.....	.....	19,372	4.69	12,277	4.27	.....	.....
Pennsylvania .....	46,000	76.56	46,000	63.18	46,000	50.25	675,408	5.21	524,558	5.54	498,497	5.66	636,680	5.51	515,319	5.64	386,216	5.99
Rhode Island .....	1,306	166.43	1,306	133.71	1,306	112.07	40,133	4.71	35,209	4.96	28,216	5.23	34,828	6.24	27,056	6.45	22,379	6.59
South Carolina .....	34,000	20.75	34,000	20.70	34,000	19.68	151,105	4.67	58,642	5.14	32,937	5.36	143,485	4.92	58,220	5.18	52,642	5.39
Tennessee .....	45,600	27.60	45,600	24.34	45,600	21.99	231,365	5.44	149,335	5.59	130,004	5.87	224,816	5.00	147,917	5.64	120,419	5.90
Texas .....	274,356	2.98	274,356	2.20	274,356	0.77	154,483	5.30	76,781	5.49	28,377	5.44	141,685	5.78	77,423	5.45	27,988	5.52
Vermont .....	10,212	32.37	10,212	30.86	10,212	30.76	70,462	4.69	63,781	4.94	58,573	5.36	69,145	5.00	62,977	5.00	56,421	5.57
Virginia .....	38,348	31.05	61,348	26.02	61,348	23.17	231,674	5.29	201,523	5.49	167,530	5.67	224,947	5.45	207,305	5.33	165,815	5.72
West Virginia .....	23,000	19.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	78,474	5.63	.....	.....	.....	.....	78,854	5.61	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wisconsin .....	53,924	19.56	53,924	14.39	53,924	5.66	200,155	5.27	147,473	5.26	57,608	5.30	197,098	5.35	154,036	5.04	56,316	5.42
The Territories .....	1,019,417	0.27	1,303,435	0.20	1,436,735	0.09	97,756	4.48	63,284	4.30	27,567	4.39	101,239	4.37	57,255	5.10	27,068	4.46
Alaska (unorganized) .....	577,390	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arizona .....	113,916	0.08	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,290	4.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,822	3.42	.....	.....	.....	.....
Colorado .....	104,500	0.39	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,358	4.26	10,045	3.41	.....	.....	10,009	3.98	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dakota .....	150,932	0.09	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,090	4.59	1,211	3.90	.....	.....	3,231	4.39	1,361	3.55	.....	.....
District of Columbia .....	64	2057.81	64	1173.13	64	807.61	25,276	5.21	12,688	5.08	8,343	5.75	23,308	5.65	12,338	5.83	7,917	6.06
Idaho .....	86,294	0.17	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,104	3.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,622	3.25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indian (country) (c) .....	68,991	.....	68,991	.....	195,274	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kansas .....	.....	.....	126,283	0.85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Minnesota .....	.....	.....	81,960	.....	165,491	0.04	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,016	5.98	.....	.....	.....	1,092	6.06	.....
Montana .....	143,776	0.14	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,058	2.32	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,450	2.18	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nebraska .....	.....	.....	351,558	0.08	351,558	.....	.....	.....	5,931	4.86	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,811	3.69	.....	.....
New Mexico .....	121,201	0.76	261,342	0.36	215,807	0.29	21,449	4.29	20,881	4.48	13,502	4.56	21,053	4.36	21,945	4.26	13,453	4.57
Oregon .....	.....	.....	288,345	0.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,374	5.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,374	5.60
Utah .....	84,476	1.03	220,196	0.18	220,196	0.05	17,210	5.04	(c) 9,500	4.06	2,322	4.90	18,299	4.75	10,703	3.75	2,322	4.90
Washington .....	69,994	0.34	193,671	0.06	.....	.....	5,673	4.22	2,798	4.14	.....	.....	6,066	3.95	3,037	3.82	.....	.....
Wyoming .....	97,883	0.09	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,248	4.06	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,379	3.83	.....	.....	.....	.....

NOTES ON AREAS.—(a) The land surface of the United States, 3,603,884 square miles, when increased by the water surface of the great lakes and rivers, brings the total area of the United States to 4,000,000 square miles.

(b) The increase of the total area of the United States at 1860 over 1850 represents that territory acquired from Mexico known as the Gadsden purchase. The increase of the area at 1870 over 1860 expresses the acquisition of Alaska.

(c) The area of the Indian country at each census includes the area of the unorganized territory which is west of that country and is described in the notes preceding the above table.

NOTES ON FAMILIES AND DWELLINGS.—(d) At the censuses of 1860 and 1850, the families and dwellings of the free population only were returned. Hence the computations in the above table for those censuses respecting persons to a family or to a dwelling have been made on the basis of the free population. The true number of families in the United States at 1860 may be approximated by adding to the total families in the table 718,813, being the families of the slaves, calculated at the average persons (5.28) to a family for the free population of the United States at that census. The number of families thus becomes 5,969,732. By the same process, the families at 1850 become 4,174,655. The dwellings increased for the slaves respectively, at the rate of one dwelling to six slaves, (the estimate adopted at 1850,) become, for 1860, 5,628,652, and, for 1850, 3,898,339.

(e) The families and persons to a family for Utah, at 1860, have been obtained by combining the families and population of Utah and Nevada published separately in the report of the Eighth Census. Nevada was not made a Territory until the year 1861.